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RE: In the Matter of the Joint Application of Verizon Communications, Inc. and Frontier Communications Corporation

Docket UT-090842

Dear Mr. Danner:

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced docket are the original and 15 copies of Staff's Response to Bench Request No. 1.

Sincerely,

SALLY G. BROWN Senior Assistant Attorney General

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